## FORMAL PROCEDURE FOR PRESENTING & RECEIVING ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS PRESENTED TO THE ATC BY INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES

SCOPE:

In order to create an organized, uniform and reviewable system for receiving & responding to industry questions.

SUBJECT: General/Routine Questions

1. All general questions regarding procedure relating to existing permits, pending applications for permits, renewals of existing permits, extensions or escrow should first be addressed to the processor handling the county in which the permit will be located or the local board excise officer responsible for the permit location.

SUBJECT: Industry Questions Posed by Industry Representatives Seeking Guidance from or a Formal Opinion from the ATC

- 1. All questions should be
  - a. in writing (email in compliance with procedure will be accepted),
  - b. addressed to the Commission Counsel,
  - c. with copies addressed to the chairperson and Executive Secretary.
- 2. The request should clearly state
  - a. The issue or questions to be addressed,
  - b. The Indiana Code 7.1 cite relating to the issue or question posed,
  - c. Whether the commission has acted previously on the proposed or a related question or issue with a brief summary of the ATC position taken in the prior action including any documentation articulating any previous decision by the ATC.
- 3. The Commission Counsel will acknowledge receipt of the question and indicate an approximate time in which to expect a response.
- 4. The Commission Counsel will consult with the appropriate parties including but not limited to the chairperson, commission members, executive secretary, prosecutor and excise police and conduct any necessary legal research.
- 5. The Commission Counsel, after receiving approval from the chairperson and executive secretary, will respond in writing with the ATC response.

6. The response correspondence will be copied to the chairperson, commissioners, executive secretary, commission counsel, prosecutor and, the excise police superintendent.

7. A copy of the original letter of inquiry along with the ATC response will be retained and kept in the Office of the commission counsel and cataloged by year and topic.

David Čook, Chairman Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission

Date